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Ms. Maureen Sullivan
Director, Environmental Management
Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense
(Installations and Environment)
Department of Defense
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Dear Ms. Sullivan:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) FY 2010 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) funding request to the Department of Defense's (DoD's) Environmental Cleanup Office. The resource estimates provided in the enclosed spreadsheet support activities conducted at BRAC I-IV installations only, pursuant to EPA's existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with DoD. To expedite the review process, a copy of this request is being provided to the respective DoD military components.

EPA's full-time equivalent (FTE) estimates for FY 2010 and out-year projections are based on the anticipated workload provided by EPA's regional BRAC managers and BRAC cleanup teams. The FY 2010 request also includes workload requirements supporting the privatization effort at Naval Air Station Alameda and McClellan Air Force Base. Enclosures 1 and 2 provide an installation-specific FTE request for FY 2010, and supporting statements for the budget request.

As depicted in the chart below, EPA headquarters and Regions are requesting 42.95 FTE and \$6.87 million for FY 2010. OPM's FY 2009 General Schedule (GS) Locality Pay Tables for the respective offices (see <http://www.opm.gov/oca/09tables/indexGS.asp> and (<http://www.opm.gov/oca/compmemo/2008/2008-22-Attach2.pdf>) were used to determine the total payroll and benefit costs for FY 2010. Enclosure #3 also provides the location for the EPA regional offices. Enclosure #3 provides EPA's calculation for the FY 2010 increase. Approximately 93% of EPA's BRAC resources are used for payroll and related personnel benefit costs.

**EPA's FY 2010 BRAC Request and Outyear Estimates
Summary Chart**

	FTE Request	Dollar Request
FY 2009 Operating Plan	41.75	*\$6.02M
FY 2010 Request	42.95	**\$6.87M

**DOD's FY 2009 transfer of \$5.7M plus \$0.3M from carryover.*

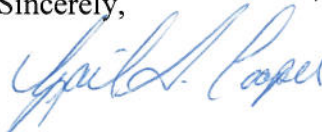
*** FY 2010 dollar request (\$6.87M) consists of a 3.15% increase to the FY 2009 budget, and \$488,002 for non-payroll expenses (regular and site travel, training and general office operations cost. The \$488,002 is a three average for the program).*

EPA looks forward to meeting with the military components to discuss any proposed installation-specific FTE reductions planned for FY 2010. Receiving the approved or at least preliminary FY 2010 FTE levels from the military components by mid-July of each fiscal year will provide sufficient time for EPA to deal with any unexpected budget reductions. In FY 2009, we received the approved installation-specific FTE levels on December 18, unfortunately, by that time some of our regions had already accrued charges at installations beyond the approved funding level. On March 6, EPA sent a letter to the Army and Air Force requesting the FTE level for several installations be restored to the full FY 2009 request level, in part to cover the costs that the regions had already incurred at the sites. Questions regarding the regional request should be addressed to EPA's regional Federal Facility Program Managers directly to help expedite the process (see enclosure #4 for contact list).

The EPA regional Federal Facility Program Managers, holder of 98% of the program's resources, continue to express their concerns regarding the funding delays and the impact these delays are having on the installation accomplishments. For several years, we have not received funding until close to the third quarter of the fiscal year. Due to greater demands on our Superfund program, there are fewer funds available for us to borrow from to support the BRAC work until we receive funding from DoD. I would greatly appreciate any help that you can provide in expediting the release of the BRAC funds.

If you or your staffs have questions regarding this request, please contact me at (703) 603-0049, or Tencil Coffee of my staff at (703) 603-0053.

Sincerely,



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Federal Facilities Restoration and Reuse Office

Enclosures (4)

Enclosures #1 Installation-Specific FTE Request

Enclosure #2 Supporting Statements for the FY 2010 budget request

Enclosure #3 FY 2010 Resource Calculation

Enclosure #4 EPA Regional Contacts List

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